

OVERHEAD #1

EXAMPLES OF CORE DEMOCRATIC VALUES

Liberty	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The freedom to make choices. The freedom to believe what you want.• The freedom to have your own ideas.• The freedom to choose your own friends.
Justice	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• This is the same as fairness.• The idea that all people should be treated fairly.• No person or group should be favored.
The Common Good	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The good of the whole community.• People working together for the benefit of all.
Equality	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Equal treatment.• Equal protection under the law.• Equal opportunity.
Diversity	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Respect for the variety in cultural background, race, beliefs, etc.

EXPLORATION SHEET
EXPLORING A PUBLIC ISSUE QUESTION

QUESTION: *Should the state of Michigan buy brownfield properties in the Metropolitan Detroit region, clean them up, and resell them to private companies?*

YES	NO

WRITING PLAN

The Issue: Brownfields in Metropolitan Detroit

Public Issue Question: *Should the State of Michigan buy brownfield properties in the Metropolitan Detroit Region, clean them up, and resell them to private companies?*

My Decision: (*choose one*) _____ yes _____ no

My Position Statement:

My Reasons:

1.

2.

3.

My Connection to a Core Democratic Value:

I chose _____ because _____

My Concluding Sentence:

ESSAY REVIEW

Check off the parts that you found in the essay:

- _____ A position statement
- _____ At least two reasons
- _____ A core democratic value connection
- _____ A concluding sentence

My favorite part of your essay was:

A question I have about your essay is:

Something I might change in your essay is:

I liked your essay because:

Reviewed by: _____